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**THE WAR.**

**TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.**

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**BRITISH OFFICIAL  
REPORTS.**

**SHARP LOCAL FIGHTING.**

London, April 7,  
10.25 p.m.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—  
Our successful minor operations  
southward of the Somme this morning  
led to sharp local fighting. The  
enemy strongly counter-attacked  
suffering heavily. We prisoners a  
total of over 140 and captured several  
machine-guns.  
We repulsed two attacks this  
morning at Bucquoy by artillery fire.  
On the remainder of the battle-  
front the day passed more quietly.

**SUCCESSFUL MINOR OPERATIONS  
BY THE BRITISH.**

London, April 7,  
12.35 p.m.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,  
reports:—  
Counter-attacks yesterday success-  
fully re-established our positions in  
Aveluy Wood and yielded 120 pris-  
oners and several machine-guns.  
We repelled an attack opposite  
Albert.  
Our artillery southward of Hebu-  
terne last evening broke up an at-  
tempted attack.  
A minor operation this morning  
southward of the Somme improved  
our position and we took 40 prisoners.

**AN IMPORTANT BRITISH POSITION.**

Paris, April 7.  
The newspapers emphasise the  
importance of the British position  
Villers-Bretonneux defending access  
to Boves, which is the enemy's  
immediate objective. They say any  
fresh dent made by the enemy here  
would enable him to extend his  
operations to Longueau.  
M. Clemenceau, the French  
Premier, yesterday visited the British  
and French Army leaders. Passing  
Amiens the Premier reiterated:  
"All is going well."

**THE GERMAN CASUALTIES.**

**SUPPRESSING INFORMATION.**

London, April 7.  
A Zurich telegram says the Ger-  
man newspapers publish notices  
threatening severe penalties against  
persons spreading alarmist rumours  
regarding German casualties.  
The Mainz Volkszeitung states that  
the letter service for fighting troops  
has been suspended indefinitely.

**AMERICA AND THE WAR.**

**PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO THE  
KING.**

London, April 7,  
7.25 p.m.  
A Press Bureau communique  
states:—  
President Wilson, replying to the  
King, expresses warm gratification  
for the King's generous message,  
assuring His Majesty that it has  
given the greatest satisfaction to the  
people of the United States to find  
themselves side by side in the final  
war for free self-government. "With  
such steadfast and indomitable asso-  
ciates," the President adds, "we  
shall continue to do our utmost to  
put the force of the United States  
into the great struggle."

**BRITISH CONSUL AT  
HELSINGFORS.**

Petrograd, April 7.  
The British Consul at Helsingfors  
has gone to Petrograd.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL  
REPORTS.**

**FURIOUS ENEMY ATTACKS.**

**FRENCH GAINS CONSERVED.**  
London, April 7,  
2.40 a.m.

A French communique states:—  
Artillery duel continued violent on  
the Oise and Somme front.  
A strong enemy attack in the  
morning between Tesnel, St.  
George's and Le Monchel was shat-  
tered by artillery fire and failed  
completely.  
Numerous corpses were left in  
front of our lines.

Our batteries farther north dis-  
persed enemy gatherings in the woods  
south of Hangard and in the Demuin  
region.

The Germans in the Noyon sector,  
after a bombardment with heavy  
guns, attempted to re-capture our  
gains north of Mont Renaud.  
After a severe fight, we retained  
the conquered ground.  
Our advanced lines resisted a series  
of furious German attacks on the left  
of the Oise front, at Abbecourt, south  
of Chauny and in Barisis, and, after  
inflicting severe losses, occupied pre-  
pared positions, in accordance with  
orders.

**RHEIMS SUBJECTED TO VIOLENT  
FIRE.**

London, April 7,  
4.10 p.m.

A French communique states:—  
Last evening we repulsed an  
enemy attack in the region of  
Grivene. There was great recip-  
rocal artillery activity at night-time  
between Montdidier and Noyon. A  
strong enemy detachment which  
gained a footing in our advanced line  
west of Noyon was immediately  
driven out by a counter-attack.

The Germans did not renew  
their attempts on the Chauny-Barisis  
district on the Oise front. Enemy  
coups-de-main north of Chemin-des-  
Dames were unsuccessful.  
Rheims was very violently bom-  
barded during the night.

**THE BRESTLITOVSK  
TREATY.**

**ANOTHER "SCRAP OF PAPER."**

Petrograd, April 7.  
M. Tchicherin, Commissary of  
Foreign Affairs, has sent a wireless  
message to Berlin protesting against  
Germany's violation of Article VI of  
the Treaty of Brestlitovsk guaran-  
teeing the security of the Russian fleet  
and naval stores in Finnish waters,  
where the Germans have taken great  
booby.

**FIGHTING IN THE  
CAUCASUS.**

London, April 7.

A Turkish communique, dated the  
6th inst., states:—  
After violent fighting we occupied  
the region of Erdischach on the north  
shore of Lake Van in the Caucasus.  
We stormed strong points west of  
Sarikamisch, occupied Ardahan, cap-  
tured 84 mortars, and a quantity of  
munitions and crossed the ancient  
frontier on the shore of the Black  
Sea in the direction of Batoum.

**GERMAN COMMANDANT AT  
UKRAINE.**

Amsterdam, April 7.  
Field-Marshal von Eichhorn has  
arrived at Kiev to assume the chief  
command of the German troops in  
Ukraine.

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## THE GREAT BATTLE.

## SECOND PHASE.

## ENEMY'S PROGRESS ARRESTED.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

## BRITISH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

## VERY SEVERE FIGHTING.

## FURTHER HEAVY ENEMY CASUALTIES.

London, April 3.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

The activity of the enemy's artillery and trench mortars increased this morning northward of the Somme, followed by strong infantry attacks between the Somme and the neighbourhood of Buequoy.

The latest reports show that the enemy scored practically no success anywhere, the result being further heavy enemy casualties.

We successfully attacked on the same front in the neighbourhood of Hebuterne, taking 200 prisoners and capturing a few machine-guns.

The enemy did not attack today the British Front south of the Somme.

It is confirmed that yesterday's fighting was of a very severe and very persistent nature, the enemy repeatedly assaulting our positions eastward of Villers-Bretonneux.

## DESPERATE ASSAULTS ON THE BRITISH.

## FOE GAINS NO ADVANTAGE.

London, April 3.

A War Office communiqué states: The Germans, since dawn, have delivered heavy attacks north and south of Dernancourt, south-west of Albert, and in the region of Noyonville.

The Germans obtained a foothold in our defences at Dernancourt and south-west of Albert. Our counter-attack restored the situation at Albert.

The enemy heavily shelled our line in the region of Mesnil and Beaumont Hamel. There was some infantry fighting near Mesnil, where the enemy did not gain any advantage.

We repulsed an attack on Noyonville.

We attacked south-eastward of Commeuourt, taking 120 prisoners. The situation is quiet on the British front southward of the Somme.

## ENEMY CLAIMS 90,000 PRISONERS.

London, April 3.

A wireless German official report states:—

Attacking yesterday south of the Somme and on both sides of Meuseul, we threw out the enemy from strong positions and broke up the British and French Reserves.

Starting an attack, we took Hamel and the wooded districts north-east and south-east of Villers-Bretonneux, also the Castele, and Maillay on the west bank of the Aves.

The enemy desperately resisted on the whole front, sustaining unusually severe losses.

We took several thousands prisoners.

General Von Hutier between the 21st and 29th March took 51,218 prisoners and captured 729 guns.

The booty up-to-date is 90,000 prisoners and over 1,800 guns.

We have captured Jekaterinoslav.

London, April 3.

A wireless German official report states:—

Strong French counter-attacks on the west bank of the Aves failed.

## AMIENS THE ENEMY'S OBJECTIVE.

## GERMANS TO CONCENTRATE ATTACKS IN THIS REGION.

London, April 3.

It is worth noting that the opening of the second phase of the German offensive differs markedly from the opening of the first. It was a swaying struggle, testifying to the increased firmness of the Allied line, but the intensity of the struggle is expected to increase as it is now clear that Germany regards this as the decisive battle of the war, and the renewal of the German attack by the shortest road to Amiens indicates that the enemy has an intention to capture the city, from where they are now only eight miles distant at this point, but the enemy's losses yesterday equalled those of a fortnight ago and, with his reserves thrown in the Amiens-formation, he is not likely to develop the attack elsewhere.

The crucial question confronting Generalissimo, each is when and where to employ the reserves, with which the Allies are better provided.

Correspondents describe the German infantry as lying exposed on the old Somme battlefield, practically without shelter. Enemy transport is seriously hampered by the rain.

## AIR-RAIDS INTO GERMANY.

## BRITISH AVIATORS FELL SEVEN MACHINES.

London, April 3.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

The rain and mist yesterday interfered with operations.

We brought down 7 German machines.

One of ours is missing. Two of our machines, which were previously missing, have returned.

We dropped 22 heavy bombs at mid-day today on the railway station of Luxembourg. Many burst on the railway and a large fire was started, despite considerable anti-aircraft gunfire.

All our machines returned.

## FRENCH AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

Paris, April 3.

In the recent French air-raids on the Karlsruhe railway station, which was badly damaged, 40 were killed and 100 wounded at Trèves.

A munition factory was blown up at Metz and Sablon and 8 locomotives were damaged.

A munition train was blown up, also a gasometer.

A number of wagons with munitions were set on fire and exploded, killing 50.

## THE IRISH CONVENTION.

## CHAIRMAN'S DRAFT REPORT ADOPTED.

London, April 3.

The Press Bureau states the Irish Convention has adopted the Chairman's draft report.

## FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

## THE FRENCH FRONT.

## ENEMY ATTACKS NOT RENEWED.

London, April 3.

A French communiqué states:—

The Germans did not renew their attacks today.

We vigorously counter-attacked north of Montdidier, improving our positions at several points, notably in the regions of Mailly, Rameval and Cantigny, of which we hold the northern and western outskirts.

There was reciprocal and violent artillery activity between Lassigny and Noyon.

We gained ground this afternoon north of Montreuil.

Twenty-three tons of bombs were dropped on enemy cantonments and railway stations. Fires were observed at the stations of Leon and St. Quentin.

Five enemy aeroplanes were brought down.

## GERMAN STAFF NOW ECONOMISING.

Paris, April 3.

A semi-official report states:—

The majority of the fresh German Divisions appear to have not been drawn from the Reserves, but from troops from the other sectors indicating that the German General Staff is now economising its men.

The French and British in aviation have definitely obtained the mastery of the air on the Somme battlefield.

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#### PRESS CORRESPONDENT'S REPORTS.

##### ASSAULT ON BRITISH LINE.

##### ENEMY USING BRITISH-MADE GUNS AND AMMUNITION.

LONDON, April 5.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

The enemy is again thrusting at what he believes to be the junction of the French and British armies in the hope of separating them. His assault against the British yesterday was apparently aimed at converging a movement upon the little town of Corbie. It was delivered in dense waves, which our machine-gun and rifle fire heavily punished.

He succeeded in straightening out the little salient in our line in the neighbourhood of Hamel Wood and village. Our counter-attack was not sufficiently strong to restore the position.

The weather is wet, and misty, hence it is impossible for our airmen to co-operate.

Fragments of projectiles with which the enemy is shelling our back areas bear British marks, showing that both guns and ammunition come from Russian front.

THRUST BETWEEN THE SOMME AND AVRE.

10.35 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

Fuller details reveal that the enemy thrust between the Somme and the Avre was a formidable effort aimed at getting astride the Paris-Amiens railway and developing a thrust at Amiens. Thanks to the stubbornness of the resistance the enemy success is limited to the creation of a salient 7,000 yards wide with an extreme depth of 2,000 yards.

HUNDRED ENEMY DIVISIONS USED IN PRESENT BATTLES.

There is reason to believe that the Germans threw in fourteen Divisions of fresh troops, including some crack corps and three Guards Divisions.

The Fifth German Division, which bore a large share in the early days of the offensive and were withdrawn to rest and rest, were again fighting.

It is estimated that practically 100 German Divisions have been used in the present battles.

BRITISH SHELLING CEASELESSLY.

Although the enemy yesterday concentrated all available artillery on the bombardment it was relatively not heavy. Consequently they relied chiefly on preponderating numbers.

Prisoners complain that the state of the roads, due to our ceaseless shelling, is causing delays in getting up heavy batteries and adequate munitions.

Yesterday, rifles and machine-guns played a principal part in the defence.

APPEALING GERMAN CASUALTIES.

The Germans came on in dense waves and suffered heavily. Enemy wreckage will prove the dominant factor in deciding the present struggle, hence the following details are noteworthy.

A prisoner from the 126th Infantry Regiment stated that the average company strength in the six battalions of his regiment was 100 of all ranks, when he was captured.

A prisoner from the 54th Infantry Reserve Regiment said that only eighty men of his Battalion reached Bapaume on March 25th. When reinforcements arrived they were composed of men all over 35 years, but when the battalion was re-organised it remained so weak that it consisted of a quarter strength, only two companies totalling 120 of all ranks.

The Second Battalion of the 77th Infantry Reserve Regiment was 1,000 strong at the beginning of the offensive. When it reached Bapaume it was 80 strong, and during our attack on March 23rd between 50 and 60 of these were killed.

FIGHTING IN CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF THE FRONT.

LONDON, April 5.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening in continuation of his message, says:—

Thus the tragic tale involved unit after unit. Consequently the very extravagant estimates of German losses are possible. The weather, which is wet and misty, is unfavourable for offensive operations. Our troops are welcoming the inclement day gleefully.

To-day the Germans have shown considerable aggressiveness. At 8 in the morning they attacked in the neighbourhood of Dernancourt on a front of 9,000 yards with an estimated strength of six Divisions. After desperate fighting, they reached the railway. An attack of considerable strength in the direction of Abbeville was completely repulsed.

We attacked from the sector of Fonquevillers. It is reported we gained our first objective at Buequoy, taking prisoners 7 officers and 120 men.

The New Zealanders were in action, and as result of their dash broke took 4 officers and 180 men prisoner.

Fighting is progressing in a considerable portion of the Front north of the Somme, but not on a grand scale, such as would indicate a general resumption of the offensive.

#### GENERALISSIMO FOCH ON THE SITUATION.

"ALL GOES WELL."

LONDON, April 5.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing on the 4th instant, says:—

Generalissimo Foch, addressing the British and French Correspondents, said:—

"All goes well." The Boche, to call him by his usual name, has been completely stopped. His advance has been arrested since 30th ultimo."

Turning to a map, on which the successive lines of the German advance have been daily marked since the beginning of the battle, Generalissimo Foch pointed out that the last lines of progress as shown, bore the successive dates 27th, 28th and 29th March. After the last date no more progress had been shown, because the German advance was then held.

Generalissimo Foch continued:—"We are now at April 4th, and it is, therefore, clear that the enemy's rush has been stemmed. The wave has expired on the shore, evidently because it broke upon an obstacle. What the result of our success will be cannot be said, but the future will show."

SPLENDID FEAT OF FRENCH COLONIALS.

A MEMORABLE BATTLE.

LONDON, April 6.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing on the evening of the 4th, says:—

The chief news of to-day's battle is that the volume of artillery fire, especially heavy guns, is growing. It is raining heavily. Both sides are busy bringing up heavy material, while the troops on the Front line are mostly without shelter.

The details of the battle of March 30th in the neighbourhood of Lassigny show that the German objectives were Plesmont and Le Plessier. The battle is memorable because it was the first important engagement during the offensive in which the enemy failed to gain an inch of ground.

The centre of attack was a village and Chateau Le Plessier, a beautiful country house in a large square Park which has been hitherto part of the old French line.

To the right of the Park is Plesmont and to the left is Canny-Sur-Matz, which on March 30th was held by French Colonial troops. Two enemy Divisions attacked. A few regiments of one Division from Lassigny assaulted across the open in columns of two companies, the men marching side by side.

The first wave disappeared under our machine-gun fire, the remainder, led by some one knowing the terrain, crossed a tiny stream and the marshland which the defence overlooked, and soon hundreds of Germans swarmed into the Park.

Simultaneously the enemy attacked the French Colonials at Anny. They held the village but the right flank was forced to retire and to reform, facing the north-west wall surrounding the Park.

The German Division attacked Plesmont and fought their way to the summit, whereupon a very gallant French officer, with less than a dozen men, desperately attempted to recapture the summit and succeeded, in defiance of all probability in installing a machine-gun and holding the Boche. Flanking attacks at Clancy, on the left of Thiescourt and on the right had been stopped, but by 8.30 in the morning the enemy held Plesmont Park and the village of Le Plessier. Then a counter-attack, cunningly prepared by a raking fire of the French artillery, drove the enemy, with heavy losses, from the summit.

The Colonials simultaneously counter-attacked, outflanked Le Plessier Park from the north by a very bold and sweeping movement, taking 700 prisoners and releasing a number of French captives, and by the end of the day the enemy lost the whole of his gains.

On the following night the Germans re-attacked Plesmont and bombed his way to the middle of the hill.

The next morning the French made a four-minute bombardment, followed up by infantry, who in five minutes drove the enemy to the foot of the hill, taking 50 prisoners.

THE KING'S REPLY.

LONDON, April 5.

The Press Bureau announces that the King, replying to the message from the New York Chamber of Commerce, expressing profound admiration for the heroism and steadfast determination of the Armies, Navies and peoples of the British Empire in the cause of justice and freedom, warmly congratulated the Chamber on the celebration of its 150th anniversary and rejoices to think that America's sons are now joining the world struggle for the triumph of justice and freedom.

His Majesty adds:—"The vast resources in life, treasure, and industry of your great nation, pledged in the cause of civilization, must assuredly lead us to prevail. Your words of admiration and encouragement for the fighting forces and peoples of the Empire will find a worthy response in our hearts. I sincerely thank you."

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TOTAL UP TO END OF PAST MONTH.

LONDON, April 5.

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GERMAN FRONTIER BLOCKED.

LARGE TRANSPORTATION OF WOUNDED.

AMSTERDAM, April 5.

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HIS MAJESTY THE KING'S MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

LONDON, April 5.

The Press Bureau states:—"His Majesty the King, in a message to President Wilson, sending his greetings on the Anniversary of America's entry, said:—

"At this critical hour, when the enemies are not sparing any sacrifice and not counting on the cost to achieve victory, the French and British troops stand united as never before in a heroic resistance, buoyed up with the thought that the great Democracy in the West, in the same spirit and with the same objects, is putting forth every effort to throw in its supreme force in the struggle, which will finally decide the destinies of free nations."

"The Americans' gallant deeds at sea and on land have inspired to the enemy and his hope is in vain. Ever-increasing Americans are pouring into France daily, thus diminishing the enemy's chances of success."

"The American people may rest assured that the British Empire, tried by nearly four years of war, will cheerfully make yet further sacrifices in the thought that America with its heart and soul emboldens us in our determination. With God's help we will finally destroy the enemy's designs and re-establish the rule of Right and Justice."

EULOGISTIC REFERENCES IN LONDON PAPERS.

LONDON, April 6.

The newspapers of London, in articles celebrating the anniversary of the American entry into the war, declare that the Allies know no apprehension of failure, backed by the tremendous American reservoir of strength.

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How completely is the duplicity of the German Government thus exposed! Surely the German people must rub their eyes and wonder at the mere idea of it being regarded as high treason in Germany to publish historical facts as they are recorded by a German Ambassador who was most intimately concerned in the great drama.

Finally we have the famous Captain PERSUS, who enjoys a foremost reputation in Germany as a writer on Naval subjects, advancing these confessions as one of the reasons why Germany should make peace with England. He expresses in the *Berlin Tagblatt* the opinion that even if the British Army is smashed Germany cannot land troops in England until the British Fleet is beaten and he doubts the ability of submarines to starve Great Britain. Hence he comes to the conclusion that Great Britain and Germany should make peace, as neither can destroy the other. Such a peace, he adds, should now be easier in view of Prince Lichnowsky's and Count von Jagow's disclosures to the effect that Great Britain was not responsible for the war. We should like to see Captain PERSUS elaborate his view. How, for instance, is it "easier" to make peace in view of the recent disclosures? The German Government has been well aware from the beginning of all that the Ambassador and the late Foreign Secretary have "disclosed." If these disclosures have made peace negotiations "easier," it only can be because they have removed the scales from the eyes of the German people with a result that the clearer they realise how grossly they have been deceived the more hostile they are likely to become to the further prosecution of a war which entails such immensely heavy sacrifices and offers no prospect of final triumph for Germany.

We regret to learn that another Hongkong man has been killed in action in France—Lieut. T. Taylor of the Royal Flying Corps, son of Mr. W. Taylor of the Kowloon Dock.

Mr. John Johnstone had "a nasty spill" riding Peter in the Easter Steeplechase at Kiangwan. It occurred at the jump opposite the grandstand. The accident put Mr. Johnstone out of the running in all the subsequent races.

We regret to learn that a telegram has been received by Mr. A. Shelton Hooper reporting that Lieutenant "Jack" Macgregor, R.G.A., is reported missing. Lieutenant Macgregor is head of the firm of Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co. and is well known in Hongkong. He married Miss Dorothy Hooper.

The following is an illustration of the way they do things in Suriname:—The Governor of Suriname cabled:—The Colonial Council has passed a resolution according to which all men and women between the ages of 16 and 50 who are without visible means of livelihood will be compelled to work, in order to obtain food.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

There were 13 cases of cerebro-spinal fever on Saturday and eight deaths on Saturday.

According to the Observatory report the rainfall for the 25 hours ended at 10 o'clock this morning did not amount to quite one inch.

A private aviator, Mr. Goto, has successfully covered the distance from Tokio to Osaka, 350 miles, without stopping on the way, in 6½ hours.

Mr. Dyer Ball will give his findings in connection with the inquest on the death of Mr. Van der Putte, chief officer of s.s. *W. A. W. A. W.* at 10 o'clock to-morrow.

The prayer meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union will be held to-morrow evening at 5.30 p.m. in the Helena May Institute. All Christians are invited.

Viscount Tajiri, who was elected Mayor of Tokio by the Municipal Assembly, has consented to accept the post of Mayor, which has been vacant since the 21st August, 1917.

The following promotions of Shanghai men have recently been announced in the *London Gazette*:—Acting Major R. L. Fearon to be Major; Lieut. J. J. G. Hay to be Captain; Captain R. M. J. Martin to be Staff Captain.

On the 3rd instant, the Police made a haul of 8½ tons of prepared opium on board the s.s. *Lokanoo*. The opium was contained in nine sacks which were discovered snugly concealed in the ventilator on top of the ship's boiler. No arrests have been made.

The Japanese Association of Tokyo has sent M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, a cheque for £1,058,572 (over £12,300) for the benefit of sufferers from the war in the Allied countries. The gift is an expression of the deep sympathy of the Japanese people for the French nation.

More than 100,000 tons of out-bound Far Eastern cargo moved from Seattle and Tacoma in twenty steamships during January. In the first ten days of February eleven more vessels cleared from the two ports, taking more than 90,000 tons of cargo.

## THE FRUIT SEASON.

BOWEN complaint is cure to be prevalent during the fruit season. Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand. It may save a life. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lady May was welcomed back to the Colony on Saturday from Canada.

Mr. Adam Gibson, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, has returned to the Colony from home completely rested in health.

Mr. Liang Shih Yi left Peking on the 6th inst. for Tientsin and returns to the capital on the 10th inst. He has decided to return to Hongkong in June.

In the Easter racing at Kiangwan on April 1st, J. I. Ezra had mounts for all ten races and nine times he was placed—1 first, 3 seconds and 5 thirds.

We regret to learn that another Hongkong man has been killed in action in France—Lieut. T. Taylor of the Royal Flying Corps, son of Mr. W. Taylor of the Kowloon Dock.

Mr. John Johnstone had "a nasty spill" riding Peter in the Easter Steeplechase at Kiangwan. It occurred at the jump opposite the grandstand. The accident put Mr. Johnstone out of the running in all the subsequent races.

We regret to learn that a telegram has been received by Mr. A. Shelton Hooper reporting that Lieutenant "Jack" Macgregor, R.G.A., is reported missing. Lieutenant Macgregor is head of the firm of Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co. and is well known in Hongkong. He married Miss Dorothy Hooper.

The following is an illustration of the way they do things in Suriname:—The Governor of Suriname cabled:—The Colonial Council has passed a resolution according to which all men and women between the ages of 16 and 50 who are without visible means of livelihood will be compelled to work, in order to obtain food.

An appeal to the Supreme Court of Manila by Mr. R. McCulloch Dick, Editor of the *Free Press*, against an order of the Governor-General for his deportation as an undesirable alien failed by a vote of five to four. The four were the American Justices. The decision affirmed that the right to deport lay with the Chief Executive and hence his action in the case of Mr. Dick was legal. Mr. Dick is appealing to the Supreme Court of the United States and has been released on bail of P.20,000 pending the appeal.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Messrs. Dennys and Bowley	£25
Mr. C. G. Alabaster	15
Mr. J. Bentley	10
Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G.	10
Mr. A. H. Harris	10
Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E.	10
Mr. C. H. Blason	10
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Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte	10
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Messrs. Kelly & Walsh	10
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Mr. S. E. Green	10
Mr. G. K. Haxton	10
Mr. A. MacKenzie	10
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A notice has been issued by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company informing exporters from the United Kingdom, Belgium and Holland to the Straits Settlements, Malay Peninsula, Siam, Philippine Islands, Hongkong, Kiochuan, Weihaiwei, China (including Manchuria), Japan (including Formosa), and Korea, who from January 1 to June 30, 1918, have confined their shipments (coal excepted) to vessels belonging to the Company, that they will allow a rebate of 5 per cent. on the freight contributed. To those who, on December 31, 1918, have confined their support and shipments to the company during the preceding six months, they will allow a rebate of 5 per cent. on freight. To those who, on June 30, 1918, have confined their support and shipments to the company during the preceding six months, they will allow an additional 5 per cent. on freight during the six months ending December 31, 1918.

The total output of the Kallan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 23rd March, amounting to 70,285 tons, and the sales during the period, to 59,735 tons.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

## ALLEGED THEFT OF RICE ON A JUNK.

A Chinese junk master was charged on remand before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with the theft of 455 lbs. of rice, the property of Messrs. Tong Seng & Co.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the prosecution on behalf of the Tong Seng & Co. and Mr. Goldring appeared for the defence.

At a previous hearing it was stated that a quantity of rice was discovered concealed in the servants' quarters of the junk whilst the vessel lay alongside a Japanese steamer. The discovery was made by a Chinese watchman employed by the Tong Seng & Co. and he reported the matter to the Police. The bags of rice when weighed again were found to be 800 lbs. short weight.

This morning, the junk master gave evidence to the effect that owing to the bugs bursting a quantity of rice was split and he ordered his folk to put it aside intending to return the rice later on.

Mr. Wood in discharging defendant suggested that a regulation be made imposing a penalty on junk masters whenever cargo carried by junks is found in any other part of the vessel than that allotted for cargo.

## A PICKPOCKET SENT TO PRISON.

A respectable-looking Chinese youth was charged before Mr. Wood this morning, with stealing a purse containing \$30.10 from the person of another Chinese.

The complainant, a fur merchant, said he was walking along Queen's Road West on Saturday last when the defendant came up from behind and snatched the money from his pocket. Witness's companion saw the theft and immediately arrested the man.

Defendant, who said he was a new arrival in the Colony, alleged that he had been accused out of spite. Complainant accidentally trod on his toes and he pushed him aside. Complainant and his friend then assaulted him. He ran away but was stopped by a Chinese constable who arrested him.

A lunkang said he saw the defendant throw down the purse when he was arrested.

Mr. Wood sentenced the defendant to six months' hard labour and four hours' stocks in lieu of the last day.

## A FIGHTING CASE.

Ten men and a woman were charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, with fighting in Kowloon City on Saturday last.

Mr. T. H. King, A. S. P., said he was standing at the pier when he heard fighting going on near the place where the reclamation work was being done. He saw a crowd of persons fighting with bamboo, etc. He stopped the fight and learnt that it was caused by a stone accidentally dropping into a trench where a number of men were working. Mr. King suggested that all the defendants be bound over.

Mr. Dyer Ball bound over the defendants on a sum of \$50 each, to be of good behaviour for the next six months.

## A DRUNKEN NUISANCE.

An Indian pleaded, guilty when charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, with being drunk and disorderly at Nathan Road.

Inspector Gordon said the man was formerly a warder at the Victoria Gaol and was a perfect nuisance. He had been summoned many times before. When found in Nathan Road, defendant's clothing was very disorderly and he struggled with the Indian Sergeant who arrested him.

Mr. Dyer Ball severely cautioned the defendant and fined him \$5 with the alternative of ten days' hard labour.

## LONG-RANGE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* has been extolling the German wireless station at Nauen. It began in 1910 with 35-h.p. It has now 1,000-h.p., permitting a range of 6,800 miles. As a matter of fact, Nauen was operating before the war, when it claimed a maximum range of 7,000 miles, or 800 miles in excess of the present range with a horse-power twenty-eight times more powerful. But Germany has no monopoly of long-range wireless. There is at least one in England that can communicate with India, Japan, and the U.S.A. are linked across the Pacific and last month effective communication was established by wireless between Italy and the U.S. over an aerial route of almost the exact distance claimed for the improved Nauen station—6,800 miles.

## RACE COURSE TRAGEDY INQUIRY.

## THE BULLARD CHAMPIONSHIP ON HONGKONG.

The inquiry into the circumstances attending the disaster at the Race Course on February 23 was resumed at the Magistracy this afternoon at 2.15 by Mr. R. Wood (Clerk) and the jury consisting of Messrs. A. H. Barlow, W. C. Jack, and J. H. Wallace.

The Crown Solicitor (Mr. Wakeman), addressing the Court, said that the evidence having been concluded and having regard to the position which had arisen, it was not necessary, he thought, to sum up the evidence, but he would be pleased to answer any question which His Worship would put to him before his address to the jury.

Mr. Bowley, representing the contractors, addressed the Court at great length. His clients, he said, as members of the public were entitled to look to the Public Works Department and the Police Department for reasonable advice and guidance in the design and construction of the stands and for the protection of their property from improper use, malicious injury or damage by fire, and he proceeded to show how that guidance and protection had been wanting. He analysed the voluminous evidence taken by the Court and submitted that the only verdict the Jury could find on the legal evidence put before them was that the cause of death was suffocation which was either caused by collapse or fire, and that whatever neglect there may have been on the part of others, whether in the shape of omitting precautions, permitting over-crowding or recklessly using fire for cooking there was no evidence of any criminal negligence on the part of the contractors who honestly and to the best of their knowledge and skill with good material and workmanship constructed sheds which would stand any strain which could reasonably be anticipated.

Mr. D'Almada also addressed the jury. He argued the contractor was equally responsible with the Building Authority for any defects in the building for he was the man to whom the Government had given permission to construct stands. He emphasised it was clearly laid down in Halsbury regarding criminal negligence there was a statutory responsibility on the building authority to inspect the building.

The inquiry was adjourned to Friday afternoon.

## ANNUAL INSPECTION OF THE HONGKONG POLICE.

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Police Force was held by H. E. the Governor at Central Police Station this afternoon when medals were presented to different members of the Force.

His Excellency arrived accompanied by Major-General Ventris and Mr. Wodehouse, the Honorary A. D. C. The Hon. Mr. McL, Messrs. Captain Superintendent of Police, received them on their arrival. After the inspection the Governor presented the medals.

The following were the recipients of medals:—

Second class medals:—Chief Inspector J. Kerr, and Chief detective Inspector Morrison.

Third class medals:—Inspectors Gordon, Lamont, and Gerrard.

Fourth class medals:—Inspectors Sim, Angus and Grant; Serjts. McKay and Burnhill.

Five Indian members of the force were the recipients of Fourth class medals.

Three Chinese were presented with the Third class medals and five more with Fourth class medals.

## TURKS BEGIN TO NAVIGATE BLACK SEA.

According to a report from Amsterdam the Turks are shortly going to recommence their shipping in the Black Sea. Already some sailing vessels and small ships have left Constantinople bound for other ports.

## NO CORSETS FOR AMERICANS.

By the regulation in the United States of a great number of corset factories in order to manufacture gas-masks, the corset industry runs the risk of being stopped, for only the necessary quantity for sale was being manufactured.

## A PARENT'S DUTY.

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## THE BULLARD CHAMPIONSHIP ON HONGKONG.

## GUNNER LORD DEFEATS SERGEANT PITT.

A large number of Billiard enthusiasts gathered at the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday evening to watch the game between Gunner Lord and Sergeant Pitt for the Billiard Championship of the Colony. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn was an interested spectator.

The game, which was 1,000 up and started at eight o'clock, was somewhat lengthy, and despite there being no interval was not finished until about half-past eleven. Sergeant Pitt got the lead at the beginning and kept it until he had reached the 150 mark, then Gunner Lord made a wonderfully clever break of 81. The break was remarkable for its all-round play. There was not a nursery cannon or more than three consecutive identical shots in the whole break. Many times the player got out of difficulties by clever and unique shots which drew loud applause from the audience. It was extremely hard luck that the break did not reach the 100, Lord failing at a moderately easy losing hazard. After that the game became monotonous from a spectacular point of view; no break of note being made except Lord's final break, and Sergeant Pitt was never able to catch up with his opponent. At the 500 mark Pitt was 55 behind and he then played very much for safety, Lord many times having a double ball to open from. Lord went slowly ahead and finally ran out with a break of 67. The final scores were Lord 1000, Sergeant Pitt 661.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, presenting the prizes, congratulated the winner saying that, as remarked by Sergeant Pitt, the best man had won.

The Championship Cup was then handed to Gunner Lord and in addition he received a silver and cut glass stand for making the highest break of the tournament (90).

Mr. Wong Po Hong received a cup as runner up.

Gunner Lord has played many of the well-known professionals and was at one time connected with "Thurstons" where he has played many exhibition games.

Mr. J. Rodger officiated as referee. Lord twice claimed a foul stroke, the first being given but the second refused, with which, however, we were unable to agree, for Sergeant Pitt, using the long rest, distinctly hit his ball twice.

## MARATHON RACE ENTRIES.

Below are given the entries up to date. The race will be run on Saturday April 20th, and not on the 13th as advertised. This postponement has been made in order that the event should not clash with other fixtures previously arranged. Entries will therefore be accepted up to and including Saturday 13th April, and should be addressed to Staff Inspector Wildin, Police Reserve Headquarters, Prince's Buildings.

Able Seaman Blower, R.N.

Stoker Ash, R.N.

P.C. 804 V.A. Byder, H.K.P.R.

P.C. 745 J. A. O'Ghera, H.K.P.R.

Serjt. A. E. Telford, R.G.A.

Corpl. J. Rowland, R.G.A.

Bomb. J. Watson, R.G.A.

Gunner E. Taylor, R.G.A.

Private A. Kirby, R.A.M.C.

P.C. 767 B. A. Hyder, H.K.P.R.

G. A. Hyden, St. Joseph's College.

R. R. Wood Sanitary Inspector.

Jemadar Fateh Mohd. Khan, 18th Infantry.

1802 Naik Rannia Khan, 18th Infantry.

2610 Naik Abdul Ghani Khan, 18th Infantry.

Drummer Rulya Khan, 18th Infantry.

Sepoy Natta Khan, 18th Infantry.

L/Naik Chingha, 18th Infantry.

Pte Allan Blallock, 25th Middlesex.

The Salvation Army is intending to increase its activity in China. A statement issued from the International Headquarters in London says:—Since 1915 we have sent forty-four new officers from different countries, making a total of fifty officers now in China. Commissioner Jeffries, who has been appointed to take charge of our Chinese work, is just proceeding with a party of six officers, and we are expecting to open fifteen new corps shortly. Already we have expended £12,000 on the work in China, and we require at least £16,000 per annum for the upkeep of officers' schools, halls, rates and taxes, and all other expenditure in connection with our work. We require at least £28,000 for our present and proposed extension work.











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## HONGKONG GYMKHANA.

## FIRST MEETING OF THE SEASON.

The first meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club took place at the Happy Valley on Saturday. The weather was all that could have been desired, the attendance fair and the meeting was a success. The proceedings were enlivened by a nice selection of music by the Band of the 18th Infantry, under Bandmaster Vassallo. The first race was run off at 3.15 p.m. The times made were good and the results were as follows:—

HALF MILE RACE.  
Mr. Soares' Black Cat (Gegg) 1  
Mr. Barnard's Morning Glory (Barton) 2  
Mr. Staves' Camford (Knoll) 3  
Time, 1.00.2/5.  
Also ran:—Doubtful, Rufus, Huntsman, Dividend, Marne and Overthere.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 9, \$440.10; 2nd, No. 122, \$123.34; 3rd, No. 92, \$64.17.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$30.80; 1st, \$7.40; 2nd, \$10.30; 3rd, \$5.70.  
GYMKHANA STAKES.—One mile.  
Mr. Godhead's Snuffbox (Sedgwick) 1  
Sir Paul's Windsor Dahlia (Gegg) 2  
Mr. G. A. G.'s Brown Mouse (Knoll) 3  
Time, 2.08.2/5.  
Also ran:—Little and Cadzow's Wolf.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 141, \$364.90; 2nd, No. 16, \$161.40; 3rd, No. 49, \$80.70.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$16.30; 1st, \$9; 2nd, \$11.90.  
A good start, Title leading with Brown Mouse and Snuffbox at the rear. A beautiful race to Black Rock where Snuffbox took the lead with Brown Mouse second. In the home straight Windsor Dahlia came up strong challenging Snuffbox which was still leading. At the finish Windsor Dahlia swerving lost the race to Snuffbox by a neck leaving Brown Mouse three quarters of a length behind.

CLASS HANDICAP, "A" CLASS.—Once round.  
Mr. Dryadust's The Spec (Barton) 1  
Mr. Staves' Camford (Knoll) 2  
Mr. Lux's Anticipation (Krumer) 3  
Time, 1.53.4/5.  
Also ran:—Essex Chief, Conquest Dahlia and Glorious Pearl.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 198, \$618.80; 2nd, No. 227, \$176.80; 3rd, No. 193, \$88.40.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$33.60; 1st, \$6.30; 2nd, \$5.60; 3rd, \$8.00.  
BENDING RACE: Won by Mr. R. Barton with Mr. P. Sutton second and Mr. G. Morton Smith third.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 6, \$609.70; 2nd, No. 14, \$174.20; 3rd, No. 144, \$87.10.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$32.00; 1st, \$7.10; 2nd, \$6.10; 3rd, \$8.70.  
CLASS HANDICAP, "B" CLASS.—Once round.  
Mr. Congdon's Dividend (Barton) 1  
Mr. Barnard's Morning Glory (Sedgwick) 2  
Mr. Galluzzi's Second Violin (Knoll) 3  
Time, 1.53.3/5.  
Also ran:—Sandford, Ploughed-field, Huntsman, Tittle and Bitterne.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 189, \$668.48; 2nd, No. 20, \$190.40; 3rd, No. 160, \$95.20.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$20.80; 1st, \$6.30; 2nd, \$5.80; 3rd, \$6.10.  
ONE MILE RACE.  
Mr. Dryadust's Peekshill (Sedgwick) 1  
Mr. Soares' Black Cat (Gegg) 2  
Mr. Ridgeway's Ridgeway (Barton) 3  
Time, 2.09.1/5.  
Also ran:—Doubtful, Camford and Marne.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 64, \$704.90; 2nd, No. 170, \$201.40; 3rd, No. 223, \$100.70.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$11.10; 1st, \$5.70; 2nd, \$5.90; 3rd, \$6.80.  
HANDICAP.—One and a quarter mile.  
Mr. Soares' Siamese Cat (Gegg) 1  
Mr. Staves' Camford (Knoll) 2  
Sir Paul's Windsor Dahlia (Gegg) 3  
Time, 2.49.  
Also ran:—Luckynand, Essex Chief and Anticipation.  
Cash Sweeps:—1st, ticket No. 100, \$668.70; 2nd, No. 39, \$248.20; 3rd, No. 180, \$124.10.  
Pari-mutuel:—Winners, \$9.70; 1st, \$5.40; 2nd, \$6.70; 3rd, \$6.60.

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## WHEN PEACE COMES.

## MR. CLYNES ON THE NEW DEMOCRACY.

[By HAROLD BROWNE in THE Daily Chronicle.]

"In spite of all the suffering," he said slowly, "his face expressed an intense realisation of what the word entering means, 'in spite of all the ruin, and waste, and death, I believe that a great human purpose is working itself out in this war, and that the world is making itself even now a better world for everybody.' Then he said, 'I have been conscious during the past six months of a great enrichment in the term Democracy. My own sufferings as a factory hand, and the sufferings of all about me in the Lancashire of these days, made me take Industrialism, I hated it with my whole soul. No language can exaggerate the detestation I felt for a system of trading, a social system, which degraded human beings wholesale. I used to say the law must put this right. My hope was for a working-class movement against the other classes—what is called class warfare. I was religious; but I hated the classes which depressed the masses for the sake of the few. This sort of war on them. This feeling modified itself as I grew older, and a little wiser. I saw that the true weapon of progress is education. But right down to the war my definition of the word Democracy was a class definition. I never quite lost the feeling that it stood for the masses and stood for their opposition to the classes. I don't say I thought the antagonism between the two irreconcilable. But I do think that the way to get a better world was by the multitude pressing forward in mass against the people of the community who enjoyed privileges denied to the multitude, and forcing them to see the justice of Labour's demand."

"And now?"  
"Well, during the last six months I have been seeing that no class goal is big enough for the suffering of this war. The goal is a new world—security and happiness for the people of the whole world. Our nation is no longer a fragment, and masses are fragments of that fragment. Outside us and beyond us are the classes and masses of all nations and it is those classes and masses plus the masses of the world who compose Democracy. To get a better world as a single force, and to get it to act as a single force, all classes and sections in the community must come together, inspired by one great idea. The watchword for the nation should be Unity. And the watchword for the world should be Unity. And this Unity should be inspired by the realisation that Democracy is only another word for Humanity as it is."

Mr. Clynes is a man who carries weight in the Labour world because of the two qualities to which, happily for this country, our workers instinctively and generously respond—courage and sincerity. The physical fragility of the man brought about by his years of childhood, does not obscure this great inward strength. A wind might blow his body away, but no legions of unrighteousness could shake his soul. He has been through his boyhood, and has sought for all the time of his life, reading far into the night as a factory lad, searching for her in the confusions of the world, making a hundred sacrifices, enduring great sufferings, without giving up, without opposition, but always pressing forward on in search of knowledge and truth. And this search for Truth has strengthened his soul, so that it has a courage which makes men trust him, knowing that a man so profoundly brave must be a devoted man, and that a devoted man never fails.

It is not too much to say that the Government has absolutely depended on this one little frail man to persuade the workers of the country that its efforts to control the supplies are sincere and that it is not intent on forcing them to fight. Some say that there is no other man in the country who could have saved the critical situation of a few weeks ago. His influence is extraordinary. And with his spiritual influence goes intellectual power. He never speaks wildly or loosely; before he utters an opinion he studies all the facts and then states his conclusions with a quiet and unassuming conviction. Men of all parties respect him, because people trust him out and out, and through and through. He is what Carlyle would have called a True Man.

THE GREAT PRINCIPLE OF EQUALITY.  
I asked him how far in his judgment Government control of vital matters as food had smoothed the way for Socialism. "The word Socialism," he replied, "is rather a risky one. I prefer to say that the community effort forced upon us by the war will continue after the war. This great co-operative effort will go on in the nation's interest, though the future we get back to normal labour conditions the better for everybody. But that is going to take time. To begin with, peace won't bring adequate food supplies. For what three years of peace comes there will be a serious shortage of food. It will be impossible in such a highly dangerous condition of affairs to return to the old haphazard efforts. The Food Ministry will have to go on with its work. The hopeful thing to think of is



